

TGEI Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2014, 3:00 pm, Andrew Johnson Building, 8th Floor Conference Room

Members Present:

Luvenia Butler, Chair

Tammy Golden, 2013 At-Large Rep

Members Present via Phone:

Tammy Gennari, Past Chair

Monica Middlebrooks, 2013 Class Pres.

Dr. Gary Peevely, UT

April Anderson, 2013 Class Pres.

Vicki Guye, At-Large Representative

Julie Johnson, 2012 Class Representative

Valerie Nagoshiner, 2012 Class President

Chris Padgett, 2013 Class Representative

Curtis Clan, 2013 Class Representative

Members Absent:

Selena Cunningham, 2012 Class Vice-President

Stephanie Dedmon, 2013 At-Large Rep.

Trish Holliday, DoHR Representative

Patrick Ryan, At-Large Representative

Antonio Meeks, DoHR Representative

Brigitte Tubbs-Jones, Vice Chair

Amanda Snowden, 2012 Class Representative

Chair Luvenia Butler called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Monica Middlebrooks motioned to approve the May minutes. Vicki Guye second. Minutes were approved.

Financial Update:

There has been no change: \$338.87 in checking and \$499.18 in savings. We still haven't had a chance to meet with Jesse to make the account change, but they are working on it. Luvenia asked that the account be changed as soon as possible because of the upcoming gala. Luvenia also stated that DoHR is trying to get us a PayPal account for money transactions.

Website and Marketing Committee:

Chris Padgett and Curtis Clan are continuing to update the website. They still have quite a bit more to do per their report. They will post Vicki Guye and Selena Cunningham's names for people to send updates for the TGEI directory.

Membership/Communication:

Luvenia requested that they solicit volunteers to help with the Gala. Hosts and hostesses are needed to direct people from the residence to Conservation Hall.

Vicki Guye reported that this group needs some direction on what they're supposed to do. Do they need to try to find contact information for non-state employees? Luvenia reported that Sharon Buwalda is also working on this.

Newsletter Committee:

Monica Middlebrooks and April Anderson reported that the next newsletter will be in August. They need articles!

Professional Development Committee:

Tammy Golden submitted the "lessons learned" document that the Professional Development Committee drafted based on the May Lunch and Learn event.

Tennessee Government Leadership Council:

In the last TGL Council meeting, the first yellow belts were presented to those that had earned enough points.

TGL Conference will be held on October 24th at Belmont University.

Bylaws Committee:

The updates to the voting section have been completed. Tammy made a motion to approve. Valerie made a second. Motion carried.

UT Football Game:

Dr. Peevely reported that the date for the game has been changed. It will now be the August 31st game, UT vs. Utah State. He will hold 20 tickets for TGEI and 20 tickets for TGMI. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Dr. Peevely will send to the steering committee presidents first. Payment will be required by August 1st and the tickets will be picked up at the tailgate party, which will be sponsored by the Naifeh Center. The tailgate will start at 4:00 p.m. and the game starts at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

Luvenia reported that TGMI has invited TGEI to participate in Toastmaster's. More information will be sent to us.

Networking:

The Gala is scheduled for August 27th. Parking will be at Coffey's Chapel on Franklin Road. Pat Ryan is in charge of shuttling people to the residence through the Dept. of Correction. Members will be dropped off at the residence for the open house. Then they will walk through the gardens for the party at Conservation Hall. The first bus will pick up at 5:45 p.m. There will be several shuttles. There will be a silent auction in the lobby by the registration desk. We will pick up name badges as we come in. The silent auction will benefit Books from Birth. The silent auction subcommittee is Shelia Simpson,

Carol White, Marva Bradford, Patricia Totty, and Pam Busby. Jesse Neely is in charge of the live music. We will have wine, beer, and fruited water. Frugal McDougal's will deliver alcohol (beer and wine) and take back leftovers. There will be 2 bartenders; and The Mad Platter Restaurant will cater the food. We will invite the appointing authorities that have sent people to TGEI. Awards will be presented to various alumni and classes in superlatives style.

Chair Luvenia Butler adjourned the meeting.